

Unwanted Pharmaceutical Take Back Program

Unused drugs kept in medicine cabinets, tossed in the garbage, or flushed down the toilet or drain can be serious threats to human and environmental health. In one recent national study, scientists analyzed streams for 95 different organic wastewater contaminants, including pharmaceutical compounds. One or more of these wastewater contaminants appeared in 80 percent of the streams. Risks posed to aquatic organisms by long-term exposure to various pharmaceutical compounds are unknown. Wastewater treatment plants and septic systems usually do not treat or only partially treat pharmaceuticals, so chemical compounds from pharmaceuticals pass through treatment plants or septic systems to rivers or groundwater.

Drugs of concern include controlled and non-controlled prescription drugs, as well as over-the-counter medications. Proper management of these drugs reduces avoidable poisoning of both children and adults; prevents intentional misuse of unwanted prescription drugs, especially by teenagers; and protects water quality and fish.

Items accepted include:

- Prescriptions
- Over the counter medications
- Pet medications
- Medicated ointment, lotions or drops
- Liquid medications (in leak-proof containers)
- Inhalers
- Pills in any packaging (glass bottles, plastic containers, plastic bags, etc.)

Items not accepted include:

- Illegal drugs & narcotics (although police will accept these items if placed in the containers)
- Sharps/needles
- Blood sugar equipment
- Thermometers
- IV bags
- Bloody or infectious waste
- Personal care products (shampoo, lotions, etc)

Locations by County

Anderson County

Clinton City Police Department

125 Broad Street Clinton, TN 37116

Hours – 24 hours/7 days a week

Von Becker (865) 457-3112

Bedford County

Bedford County Sheriff Department

103 Lane Parkway Shelbyville, TN 37160

Hours – 24 hours/7 days a week

Captain Tony Barrett (931) 684-3232

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Blount County

Blount County Sheriff Department

920 East Lamar Alexander Parkway Maryville, TN 37804

Hours – 24 hours/7 days a week

James Berong (865) 273-5149

Clay County

Clay County Sheriff Department

400 West Lake Avenue Celina, TN 38551

Hours – 24 hours/7 days a week

Brandon Boone (931) 243-3266

Coffee County

Coffee County Sheriff Department

300 Hillsboro Road Manchester, TN 37355

Hours – 24 hours/7 days a week

Laura Nettles (931) 728-3591

Nashville/Davidson Police Department

Monday – Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

North Precinct - 2231 26th Avenue North South Precinct - 5101 Harding Place East Precinct - 936 E. Trinity Lane West Precinct - 5500 Charlotte Pike Hermitage Precinct - 3701 James Kay Lane Madison Precinct - 430 Myatt Drive

Sunday - Saturday 8:00 am to 8:00 pm

Central Precinct - 501 Broadway

Sharon Smith

Dickson County

Dickson Police Department

202 South Main Street Dickson, TN 37055

Hours – 24 hours/7 days a week

Officer J. David Cole (615) 446-8041 Opt. 4

Dyer County

Dyer County Sheriff Office

401 East Cedar Street Dyersburg, TN 38024

Monday – Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Chief Mike Boals (731) 285-2802

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Franklin County

1. Cowan Police Department

106 Cherry Street North Cowan, TN 37318 Chief Allen Edwards (931) 962-0110

3. Estill Springs Police Department

308 South Main Street Estill Springs, TN 37330 Chief Allen Rhodes (931) 649-5188

5. Sewanee Police Department

111 Alabama Ave. Sewanee, TN 37375 Chief Robert White (931) 598-1111

7. Winchester Police Department

401 2nd Ave. Southwest Winchester, TN 37398 Chief Dennis Young (931) 967-3849

2. Decherd Police Department

100 Powell Street Decherd, TN 37324 Chief Ross Peterson (931) 967-5120

4. Huntland Police Department

100 Cumberland Blvd. Huntland, TN 37345 Sgt. Hamilton (931) 469-7702

6. Franklin County Sheriff Department

420 Wilton Circle Winchester, TN 37398 Hours – 24 hours a day/7days a week Sheriff Tim Fuller (931) 962-0123

Gibson County

City of Milan Police Department

7029 Telecom Drive Milan, TN 38358

Hours – 24 hours/7 days a week

Officer Bobby Sellers (731) 686-3309

Greene County

Greeneville Police Department

200 N College Street Greeneville, TN 37745

Monday – Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

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Lt. Michael Ottinger (423) 787-6197

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Grundy County

Grundy County Sheriff Department

62 Spring Street Altamont, TN 37301

Hours – 24 hours/7 days a week

Sheriff Brent Myers (423) 787-6197

Hamblen County

Hamblen County Sheriff Department

814 West Main Street Morristown, TN 37814

Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Sheriff Esco Jarnagan (423) 586-3781

Haywood County

Brownsville Police Department 118 N. Lafayette Street Brownsville, TN 38012

Hours – Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 4:30 pm

Lt. Barry Diebold (731) 772-1260

Humphreys County

New Johnsville Police Department 323 Long Street New Johnsville, TN 37134

Hours – Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 4:30 pm

Wayne Ellison (931) 535-2700

Johnson County

Johnson County Sheriff Department

999 Honeysuckle Street Mountain City, TN 37683

Hours – 24 hours/7 days a week

Joe Woodard (423) 727-7761

Knox County

Knoxville Police Department

800 Howard Baker Jr. Avenue Knoxville, TN 37915

Hours – 24 hours/7 days a week

Craig McNew (865) 215-7031

Madison County

Jackson Police Department

234 Institute Street Jackson, TN 38301

Hours – 24 hours/7 days a week

Patrick Willis 731) 425-8454

McMinn County

McMinn County Sheriff Department

1319 South White Street Athens, TN 37371

Hours – 24 hours/7 days a week

Sheriff Joe Guy (423) 745-5620

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Monroe County

Monroe County Sheriff Department

319 Hickory Street Madisonville, TN 37354

Hours – 24 hours / 7 days a week

Jennifer Bledsoe (423) 442-3911

Obion County

Obion Police Department

408 South Depot Street Union City, TN 38261

Hours – 24 hours / 7 days a week

Perry Barfield (731) 885-1515

Overton County

Overton County Sheriff Department

1010 John T. Poindexter Drive Livingston, TN 38570

Hours – 24 hours / 7 days a week

Mark Peek (931) 260-0350

Putnam County

Cookeville Police Department

10 East Broad Street Cookeville, TN 38501

Hours – 24 hours / 7 days a week

Lt. Michael Smith (931) 260-0963

Roane County

Roane County Sherriff Department

230 North Third Street Kingston, TN 37763

Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sgt. Robert Anderson (865) 717-4700

Rutherford County

Rutherford County Sheriff Department

940 New Salem Highway Murfreesboro, TN 37130

Hours – 24 hours / 7 days a week



Deputy James Noe (615) 898-7770

Sevier County

Sevierville Police Department

300 Gary Wade Blvd. Sevierville, TN 37862

Hours – 24 hours / 7 days a week

Lt. Ken Garner (865) 868-1753

Stewart County

Stewart County Sheriff Department 117 Donelson Parkway Dover, TN 37058

Hours – 24 hours / 7 days a week

Sheriff Derik Wyatt (931) 232-5322

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Locations by County Sullivan County Kingsport Police Department Sullivan County Sheriff Department 140 Blountville By-pass 200 Shelby Street Kingsport, TN 37660 Blountville, TN Hours – 24 hours / 7 days a week Monday – Friday 8:00 am - 6:00 pmTom Patton Jamie Free (423) 229-9433 (423) 279-7500 **Sumner County Washington County Johnson City Police Department White House Police Department** 303 North Palmers Chapel Road 601 East Main Street White House, TN 37188 Johnson City, TN Monday – Thursday 7:30 am - 3:00 pmMonday – Friday 6:00 am – 11:30 pm Captain Jeff Mingledorff **Greg Lowery** (615) 616-1064 (423) 424-6159 **Williamson County Wilson County**

Mt. Juliet Police Department

Hours – 24 hours / 7 days a week

2425 North Mt. Juliet Road

Mt. Juliet, TN 37122

Tyler Chandler

(615) 754-2550

Williamson County Sheriff Department

Hours – 24 hours / 7 days a week

408 Century Drive

Franklin, TN 37064

Jeff Long

(615) 790-5560